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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed July 30, 2004.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.